THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) Three proposals have been sent by the Madhya Pradesh Government upto December, 2004 under the Swadhar Scheme to protect and rehabilitate the women/young girls.

(b) These proposals were placed before the Project Sanctioning Committee of the department of Women and Child Development on 22.9.2004. 2 proposals of Swadhar were cleared by the Project Sanctioning Committee of the Department of Women & Child Development and 1 poposal had been referred back to the State Government for attending to deficiencies.

Appointment of Psychologists to help students get rid of Exam stress

2040. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Board Examinations stress is taking a heavy toll on promising students every year;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to appoint expert psychologists to help the students appearing in Board Examinations to fight the stress and anxiety associated with Board Examinations;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A.FATMI): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. As per information received from Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), CBSE launched a tele-counselling help line service in the year 1998. CBSE's help line programme starts one month before the commencement of examinations. Through this programme counselling and courses guidance is provided to the students and the parents by professional psychologists, school principals and trained counsellors. For 2005 examination, the help line service is provided through 37 centres located in India and abroad.